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TAIPEI FOR GERARD HELFRICH, TOKYO FOR W. HENNOCH

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: POSTPONEMENT OF FORMAL JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
MEETING ON NUCLEAR ENERGY AND OTHER ENERGY TECHNOLOGY
MATTERS

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1. NEITHER LOUIS NOSENZO NOR NELSON SIEVERING ARE ABLE
TO ATTEND MEETINGS SEOUL DUE TO OTHER PRESSING COMMIT-
MENTS. NOTING IMPORTANCE TO ROK OF SENIOR US REPRESENTA-
TION AT THESE FORMAL MEETINGS, DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS POST-
PONEMENT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS SCHEDULED
FOR MAY 31 - JUNE 2.

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2. GERARD HELFRICH, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL
PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION, ERDA, AND DR. R. ADAMS, DIRECTOR
OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS, ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORA-
TORY (MEMBER OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE) WILL BE IN
THE VICINITY OF ROK THIS WEEK ON OTHER BUSINESS AND CAN BE
AVAILABLE TO MEET INFORMALLY WITH ROK ON A NUMBER OF THE
PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS ORIGINALLY PLANNED FOR THE JOINT

STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS. DR. J. LA FLEUR, NRC DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFICE WILL ALSO BE IN THE AREA AND AVAILABLE FOR INFORMAL MEETINGS WITH

ROK TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVES IF DESIRED.

3. IN VIEW OF ABOVE, PLEASE ADVISE BYONG WHIE LEE OF U.S. RECOMMENDATION TO POSTPONE THE FORMAL JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF MAY 31 - JUNE 2. AT SAME TIME, ENCOURAGE OPPORTUNITY TO HOLD INFORMAL TECHNICAL MEETINGS IN THIS TIME FRAME DUE TO AVAILABILITY IN THE AREA OF HELFRICH, ADAMS AND NRC'S LA FLEUR. SUCH INFORMAL SESSIONS COULD COMMENCE WITH GROUP MEETING MAY 31. ALTHOUGH THESE TECHNICAL SESSIONS WILL NECESSARILY BE OF NARROWER FOCUS THAN ORIGINAL FORMAL MEETINGS PLANNED, GERRY HELFRICH IS PREPARED TO EXPLAIN (INFCEP) INTERNATIONAL FUEL CYCLE EVALUATION PROGRAM AND DR. ADAMS IS PREPARED TO DISCUSS ANL-ROK SISTER LABORATORY ARRANGEMENTS.

4. IF ROK AGREES TO INFORMAL TECHNICAL SESSIONS BEGINNING MAY 31, EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS FOR HELFRICH AND ADAMS BEGINNING MONDAY NIGHT, MAY 30, AND FOR J. LA FLEUR BEGINNING SUNDAY NIGHT MAY 29. DEPARTURE DATES FROM SEOUL WILL BE THOSE EMBASSY DEEMS APPROPRIATE FOLLOWING DISCUSSIONS WITH ROK OF TIME DESIRED FOR TECHNICAL SESSIONS. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP. VANCE

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